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## Letter from James Frothingham Whitney, New York, New York, to Sarah Whitney, 1873 April 21

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Miss Sarah W. Whitney  
Care Messrs Whitney & Simpson  
Boston.



New York Apr. 2/73  
Dear Sarah,

If you are basking  
in as warm an April sun today  
as we fothermote are you are happy.  
You surprise me at the tenor  
of your letters - you do scold  
so about the weather! - Why,  
our snow & ice are all gone  
long ago, and we are only think-  
ing of green things - grass, lettuce,  
and such as conduce to the  
pleasure and comfort of man  
and cattle. - Spring is upon us  
in real earnest, - and I sweat  
under heavy pressure of winter  
garments that must be cast off -  
but not too soon - The Cold you  
speak of - a, that I spoke of, -  
was of short duration and I am  
all right again - Carrie was kept



from School last week with  
a sore throat wh. the Dr.  
said inclined to diphtheritic,  
but she is now well again, as are  
all of us, here and at Orange,  
are well -

I called at Mr Manning's  
this morning & inquired about  
the sick Child, and learned  
that she was still alive -  
The stricken parents were a little  
hopeful because it had swallow-  
ed, last night, a quite of nour-  
ishment. It remains in the  
same unconscious state it  
has been in for some days  
and may linger a little longer -  
Mary saw her Sunday morning  
and thought she might live a  
few days longer. Her experience  
is that she had known a child  
live a week after this unconscious  
& deathly condition. Her appear-

ance and disease seems very  
much as our little boy's was  
who died about same age  
after the disease had reached  
the brain, but lingers longer. -  
Think we may hear of her death  
at any moment. - It will  
be a sad crushing of the young  
hearts of its parents.

I send you a tinsy of  
a fat baby taken yesterday -  
at request of its mother - It  
hardly does him justice; but  
when you consider that his  
years are only numbered by  
months we must give him credit  
for sitting up so stately & well.  
The picture makes him a little  
more of a fatty than he is  
in reality. Emma says she  
was out on a spree yesterday,  
with carriage, drink & baby, and  
had a good time altogether -

same hurriedly.  
now more with love to all  
now not true to day more